GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4343
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PROTEST BY AAI EMPLOYEES
Kamat Shri Gurudas

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether employees of Airports Authority of India had undergone for fast to protest the decision to privatise major airports;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the response of the Government thereto?

Answer

- MINISTER OF STATE(INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. A country-wide relay fast to protest was organised by Airports Authority of India (AAI) Employees Joint Forum from 7th March 2005 to 23rd March,2005 at all International and Major Airports.

(c): Adequate steps were taken to ensure that no disruption in the Airport Operations is caused. During the protest period, operation at airports was normal and no adverse report on flight operations and other airport services were received from any field station. Frequent meetings are also being held with representatives of Employees of AAI to brief them about various aspects of the restructuring process including steps being taken by the Government to protect the interest of employees and allay their apprehensions about the process.